Boeing Everett Receives ISO 14001 Certification

The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA] today announced that its airplane manufacturing facility in Everett, Wash., home of the 747, 767, 777 and 787, has received International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001 certification. ISO 14001 confirms Boeing's Everett facility has a certified system in place to monitor, manage and continuously improve its environmental management system.

Boeing's Everett facility, which is 30 miles (48 kilometers) north of Seattle, comprises more than 1,000 acres (404.7 hectares) and is surrounded by 16 wetlands that drain to fish-bearing streams. According to 2005 data, it annually recycles more than 56 tons (50,802.3 kilograms) of aluminum, 460 tons (417,305 kilograms) of steel and 800 tons (725,747.8 kilograms) of wood. Since 2000, the Everett facility has reduced energy consumption by more than 31 million kilowatt-hours (kWh), enough to light more than 10,500 homes for a year.

"This is a major accomplishment for our Everett team," said Ross Bogue, vice president - general manager; 747/767/777 Programs and Everett Site. "This achievement shows we are serious about being a good environmental steward."

The international standards, first published in 1996 in Switzerland by the International Organization for Standardization, are designed to assist companies in developing, implementing and maintaining an effective environmental management system.

While all Boeing facilities have robust environmental management systems in place, the company's Everett facility decided to take the extra step to formally achieve the voluntary ISO 14001 certification. The certification process assures the public and airline customers that the Everett plant is doing its part to protect the environment. "We chose to seek ISO 14001 certification because we care about the environmental impact of our products and services - in the air, in the factory and on the ground," Bogue added. "And we will continue to focus on continually improving our environmental protection and conservation efforts."

About Boeing's environmental participation:

Boeing goes above and beyond what is required for compliance. Boeing employees voluntarily spend many hours of their personal time restoring wildlife habitat, cleaning up damaged sites and educating the public about the environment. The company gives financial support to The Nature Conservancy to help it acquire and preserve critical habitat for the survival of rare and endangered species and to the National Safety Council to promote a safer world.

Boeing has eliminated the use of harmful chemicals in many of its manufacturing processes and adopted low-emission technologies like ultra-low-sulfur diesel fuel. While building the world's most fuel-efficient airliners, Boeing's employees also participate in a commuter program that takes thousands of cars off local highways, avoiding more than 100 million vehicle miles per year and preventing emissions of more than 50,000 metric tons of greenhouse gases.

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